

## House Resolution No. 3575

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Baker of Belton, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on August 1, 2008; and

**Whereas**, upon attaining this significant milestone in their marriage, Vern and Pat Baker will undoubtedly look back some six decades ago and reminisce about the day they met on July 4, 1948, on a blind date at Lake Taneycomo; their four-week courtship; and the beautiful ceremony in which they exchanged their sacred nuptial vows on August 1, 1948, in Cassville; and

**Whereas**, on their wedding day, Vern Baker and Pat Walker began to nurture a love that has flourished and grown to bring them inestimable joy and fill their hearts with pride for sixty years; and

**Whereas**, Vern and Pat Baker have been blessed with the love and affection of two children, David Baker and Mark Baker; six grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, Vern, a veteran of the United States Army Air Force, and Pat Baker provided a comfortable home and secure future for their loved ones through their successful fifty-five-year endeavor in the gospel ministry, serving in Alaska, Arizona, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Nevada, Texas, and Missouri; and

**Whereas**, Vern and Pat Baker derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with the First Baptist Church of Belton, a place of worship that has special meaning to them as cherished members; and

**Whereas**, during their six decades together, Vern and Pat Baker have discovered that a successful marriage is a labor of love which can be achieved only when we realize that it is a gift as well as an undertaking; and

**Whereas**, Vern and Pat Baker have made a spirited effort to keep their relationship fresh and alive, and have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Vern and Pat Baker and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey together walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Vern Baker, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian L. Baker  
District No. 123

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3575, adopted July 8, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker